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[REDACTED] **PLEASE PASS TO [REDACTED] FROM COL BACALIS**

1. **PLEASE RELAY TO [REDACTED] MY HEARTIEST CONGRATULATIONS FOR A JOB-WELL DONE ON MISSION C176C. THE MANNER IN WHICH HE EXECUTED THE PRESCRIBED EVASIVE MANEUVERS, WHILE REMAINING CALM IN A VERY CRITICAL SITUATION, WAS VERY IMPRESSIVE, AND WE ARE EXTREMELY PROUD TO BE ASSOCIATED WITH HIM.**

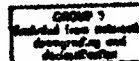
2. **THIS INCIDENT AND THE KUNMING ENCOUNTER PROVIDE CONVINCING EVIDENCE THAT OUR DEFENSIVE SYSTEMS, COUPLED WITH PROPERLY EXECUTED MANEUVERS AS OUTLINED IN OUR TACTICAL DOCTRINE, PROVIDE A HIGH DEGREE OF SURVIVABILITY AGAINST THE UNKNOWN SAM SITE.**

3. **WE RECOGNIZE THAT THE CHICOMS ARE ADOPTING NEW MISSILE TACTICS AND SAM DEPLOYMENT PROCEDURES AND ARE MODIFYING THEIR EQUIPMENT IN AN EFFORT TO DEFEAT OUR DEFENSIVE SYSTEMS. WE SUSPECTED THIS AFTER THE KUNMING ATTACK AND, AS YOU KNOW, MODIFIED OUR SYSTEMS TO COUNTER THE NEW THREAT. WE CAN EXPECT THE CHICOMS TO CONTINUE TO IMPROVE THEIR**

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EQUIPMENT IN ORDER TO MAKE IT MORE EFFECTIVE. BE ASSURED THAT WE
WILL CONTINUE TO FULLY EXPLOIT ALL AVAILABLE DATA TO RECOGNIZE A NEW
OR CHANGING CHICOM THREAT AND WE WILL CHANGE OUR EQUIPMENT AND TACTICS
AS NECESSARY TO RENDER THE THREAT LESS EFFECTIVE.

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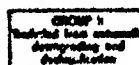
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